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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yasuhisa EHARA

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EXAMINER:

FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PREVENTING LOCAL DAMAGE OF GEARS AND CONTROLLING DEVIATION OF POSITION OF COLOR IMAGES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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